

SEARCHING FOR BODY OF HENRY B. SMITH

Melancholy Draughtsman Believed
to Have Killed Himself Near
Grove Station.

WAS EMPLOYED AT THE SHIPYARD

After Undergoing Treatment for Nervous Disease the Man Went to Home of His Brother, Judge Sidney Smith, of Yorktown and While There Mysteriously Disappeared.

Henry B. Smith for several years employed in the draughting department of the local shipyard, has disappeared from the home of his brother near Yorktown and according to reports received here yesterday there is every reason to believe that he has committed suicide.

Following is a dispatch received last night from the Williamsburg correspondent of the Daily Press: "Mr. Smith, until about December 1, was employed as a draughtsman in the Newport News shipyards. He left that city suddenly for Norfolk on account of a nervous attack. In Norfolk he stopped at the home of his sister, the wife of Hon. R. M. Hughes. There he remained for medical treatment, but suddenly left and made his way to the home of his brother, Judge Sidney Smith at Yorktown. Here he remained until the afternoon of Saturday, January 6, when he again mysteriously disappeared. He evidently made his way to Grove Station, where he was seen about midnight of Saturday. Mr. J. L. Hart saw a strange man wandering around in a field near by. He went out and called to the stranger.

Was Covered With Blood.
Holding a lantern close to the man's face, Mr. Hart saw that his throat was covered with blood while blood flowed from a wound in the wrist. When asked what was the matter, the man said he got in a fracas up the road. The stranger is described as a tall man, with white hair and mustache and wearing a dark coat. It was Mr. Smith. He evidently had attempted to cut his throat, but apparently his nerve failed.

Stranger Ran Off.
"Mr. Hart tried to get the man to go into the station to staunch the flowing blood and wash himself. He refused and made off up the railroad track toward Williamsburg. That was the last time he has been seen, and it is the belief that his corpse now lies in some secluded spot between here and Grove, unless he boarded a freight train.

"Saturday and yesterday searching parties scoured the woods for some trace of the missing man. This afternoon a crowd has gone out to make a more careful hunt.

Brother Offers Reward.
Judge Sidney Smith, of Yorktown, today offered a reward of \$25 for his brother, dead or alive.

"The missing man was suffering from melancholia. He is alleged to have told a friend in Newport News that he had nothing to live for and seemed to be dependent. His relatives say they expect the worst.

Henry B. Smith is a son of the late Sydney Smith, Esq., and is highly connected. He was born and raised here, but for the past few years has been in Newport News. He was an artist of considerable ability and an expert draughtsman. Mr. Smith was treasurer of Williams and Mary college for several years.

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FIGHTING FOR POSTOFFICE.

Messrs. Read and Hopkins Both
Very Busy in Washington.

It is expected that President Roosevelt will appoint the local postmaster in the very near future and the friends of Postmaster Fred Read, offering for re-appointment, and Mr. W. T. Hopkins, the only avowed opponent of the present postmaster.

Mr. Read went to Washington Sunday night and Mr. Hopkins is absent from the city and supposed to be at the capital also.

Although he is very confident of being reappointed, Mr. Read deemed it best to be on the ground. Mr. Hopkins is having nothing to say on the subject and only his close friends think about the situation.

RAILWAY AT PIG POINT.

Virginia-Carolina Coast Railway to
Have Terminal Across River.

It is announced that the Virginia-Carolina Coast Railway is to absorb the Suffolk & Carolina and the Pamlico, Oriental & Western and that a line is to be built along the western shore of the Elizabeth City river, giving the combination a terminal at Pig Point, across the James from this port.

Traffic arrangements have been made with the Chesapeake & Ohio and several of the steamship lines playing in and out of this port and Newport News probably will derive considerable benefit from the new terminal.

THEATRICAL.

"The Rajah of Bhong," which will be the attraction at the Academy Friday night has its principal character a New York City man named Victor Murray Collins, by profession a cook. He was employed in a Bowery restaurant and being a good cook his salary was a liberal one and he was a social leader in his circle of acquaintances. Arabella Breakstone, a beauty doctor whose lotions had power to enhance everyone's charms except her own, fell madly in love with him. Victor's heart was adamant and to escape her importunities he shipped as cook on board a steamer bound for Australia. The ship was wrecked in mid-ocean; Victor drifted about in a boat for days and finally landed upon the island of Bhong. He was appointed chief to the Rajah, and because of his skill in his profession and his diplomacy in managing affairs of state, he finally rose to the position of Vice-Rajah of the kingdom.

One day an American man of war, the Chicago, sails into the harbor of Bhong, bound for the Philippines, and having on board a party of Boston school teachers, then the incidents forming the story of the play begin.

CAPTAIN SMITH, OF THE LINER SIBERIA, A SUICIDE

Letter Received Here Tells of Death
of Well Known Skipper On Board
His Vessel.

A letter received here from San Francisco yesterday morning states that Captain Smith, who has been master of the Pacific Mail steamer Siberia ever since she was completed at the local shipyard several years ago, committed suicide on board of his vessel during her last trip between Hong Kong and San Francisco. When the big steamer steamed into San Francisco harbor about ten days ago her flags were at half mast and when she landed the mate reported that the Captain had committed suicide on his ship. The details of the suicide are unknown.

Captain Smith was well known in shipping circles here and the news of his death by his own hand came as a great surprise to his many friends here who can assign no cause for the rash deed. He came to this city several months before the Siberia was completed, remaining here until the steamer was ready to start on her journey to San Francisco. Captain Smith made many friends during his stay in this city among whom his departure on the Siberia to the Pacific was generally regretted.

He successfully carried the big liner around the Horn and remained in charge of her up to the time he ended his career by his own hand.

Thirty-seven Additions.

There were thirty-seven additions to the First Presbyterian church Sunday during the communion services. The membership of the church has increased rapidly during the past few years.

Miss Sallie Gilbert has returned from Richmond, where she spent a week with relatives.

FROM PORTLAND, ORE., TO HAMPTON ROADS

Davidson and Freeman Will Make
Unique Journey for James-
town Exposition Co.

FOLLOW ROUTE OF LEWIS & CLARK

Carrying Boat Overland When Necessary, Tourists Will Traverse Country Explored by Famous Adventurers in Early Days for Purpose of Advertising the Exposition.

For the purpose of advertising the Jamestown centennial exposition, F. B. Davidson and D. C. Freeman, enterprising men who were connected with the Lewis and Clark Exposition, are about to set out from Portland, Oregon, for Hampton Roads, with a boat. The tourists will follow the route traversed by Lewis and Clark from Portland to Pittsburg and from the latter point will go either by way of the Lakes to the Hudson river, or to the Potomac river by way of Cumberland, Md.

Whenever it becomes necessary for the tourists to take their boat overland, they will ship it by rail to points on rivers used by explorers in the early days of the country.

The Jamestown Exposition Company has just closed a contract with Messrs. Davidson and Freeman and it is expected that the latter will set out upon their unique expedition in a short time.

House Committee Meets.

An Associated Press Dispatch from Washington says:

"The House committee on industrial arts and expositions met today. Representative Maynard formally presented an invitation for the committee to visit the site of the Jamestown Exposition. The invitation was accepted, and the date will be fixed at some future time. Mr. Maynard says the future looks bright for the exposition.

Members of the committee seen, look forward with interest to the visit.

Virginia delegates to the river and harbor congress are meeting here today. They say the meeting will undoubtedly result in benefit to navigation in the State.

"No definite plan of action has yet been outlined as to future appropriations."

MRS. HUNTER NO. 1 GIVES CHIEF REYNOLDS SOME DATA

Young Woman in Alexandria Says
She is Ready to Testify Against
Prisoner.

When J. P. Hunter faces the Norfolk police justice to answer to the charge of bigamy next week it is very probable that he will have two young wives to testify against him.

Chief of Police Reynolds yesterday received a letter from Mrs. J. P. Hunter of Alexandria, formerly Miss Ida Langley, in which the latter states that her attention had been called to a newspaper article in which Hunter was quoted as saying that he had never been married to anyone except Miss Nellie Green, of this city. Mrs. Hunter No. 1 declares in the letter that she is ready to come to Norfolk to protect the rights of herself and her child. She says she was married to Hunter on February 11, 1903, by Rev. Joseph A. Jeffers and that the marriage is recorded at Alexandria. She goes on to say that Hunter confessed to her last September that he had married Miss Green, but told her at the time that he would send for her and the child and leave the second woman.

ANNOUNCEMENT.

This is to certify that G. G. Congdon, the undersigned, is not interested in any pharmacy or drug store in the city of Newport News, Va.

Furthermore he it borne in mind that the double check system devised or perfected by Mr. G. G. Congdon is not made use of by any pharmacy or drug store in this city. Also he it agreed by the undersigned that he will give \$20.00 in gold to any one proving or rightly claiming that any mistake was made in the pharmacy (that is even a single instance) in this city since the introduction of said double check system in such pharmacy where the said system was made use of. Or in other words, where and when any double check system is made use of a mistake is impossible in the dispensing of prescriptions.

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